

007037-000450: JJE 349324

REMARKS

Applicant's thanks the Examiner for agreeing to speak telephonically with the Applicants on June 8, 2005.

This response is being submitted after filing a first response submitted on May 9, 2005 to a Final Office Action with a mailing date of February, 8, 2005 and an Advisory Action with a mailing date of May 25, 2005 issued by in response to the Applicant's May 9, 2005 submission.

In both the Advisory Action and in the Applicant's conversation of June 8 with the Examiner, the Examiner repeated that claims 51 and 52 would be allowed as written in the Applicant's May 9, 2005 response, but that no other claims could be considered in this Application.

A Final Office Action mailed on February 8, 2005 noted that claims 20-28, 43-45 and 49-84 are pending in the application and that claims 43-45 and 63-84 were withdrawn from consideration.

Newly submitted claims 63-84 were rejected in the Action, for being directed to an invention that is independent or distinct from the invention as originally claimed. In order to expedite prosecution of certain remaining claims, Applicants respectfully request that claims 63-84 be canceled without prejudice.

Claims 20-28, 49, 50 and 53-62 were rejected in the Action. Without acquiescing to the Action's characterization of the claims, Applicants respectfully request entry of the above amendments canceling claims 20-28, 49-50 and 53-68, without prejudice.

The Action objected to dependent claims 51 and 52 and indicated that these dependent claims would be allowable if re-written in independent form and amended to

Response to Final Action
Serial No. 10/024,066
Page 3 of 4

007037-000450: JTB 349324

correct certain errors of a clerical nature. Accordingly, Applicants have re-written claims 51 and 52 in independent form and otherwise amended claims 51 to 52 in accordance with the Examiner's suggestions. The Applicants now respectfully request consideration and allowance of amended claims 51 and 52.

In view of the foregoing, reconsideration and allowance of this application containing claims 51 and 52 is requested. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney by telephone if there are any questions about this submission or other matters that may be readily addressed by telephone to expedite the allowance of this application.

Respectfully Submitted,

By: 

John J. Emanuele, Jr.
Registry No. 51,653
Woodard, Emhardt, Moriarty,
McNett & Henry LLC
Bank One Center/Tower
111 Monument Circle, Suite 3700
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204-5137
(317) 634-3456

Response to Final Action
Serial No. 10/024,066
Page 4 of 4